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In response to the Office Action of December 19, 2001, the following is submitted:

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the method claims 1-22 and 29 of Group I. However, this election is with traverse for the following reasons.

A search of the cooking process sensor of claims 23-28 and 30 is important also for a search of the method of claims 1-22 and 29. Note the similarity between the apparatus claim and the method claims wherein the apparatus claim 23 for example recites a tip equipped with at least two sensors and method claim 1 for example recites the step of controlling the cooking process in response to at least two temperature values and wherein dependent claim 8, for example, recites differential temperature values between sensors arranged spaced apart. Thus, clearly a search of the apparatus claim 23 also is useful prior art for a search of the method

claims such as claims 1 and 8. Reconsideration is therefore respectfully requested on the restriction requirement.

Respectfully submitted,

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